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Metro presents at Olympic on Wednesdaqy — Beverly Bayne and Francis Bushman in "The Voice of Conscience."

TRAFFIC DEMORALIZED ON ACCOUNT OF SNOW STORM

Sweepers Running to Clear Streets of the Heavy Downpour So Cars Can Operate.

Street car traffic was almost demoralized for a time this morning, more particularly along the lines of the Pittsburgh Street Railways Co. between Charleroi and Pittsburgh. The first car did not get in from Pittsburgh until 9 o'clock and local traffic on the west side of the river was practically suspended up until about 9 o'clock.

The management of the Monessen-Belle Vernon line experienced considerable difficulty up until about 7 o'clock in getting cars through, but after that hour cars began to make schedule time. Traffic conditions for a month past have been in a most terrible shape, the trouble along the local line being mostly from the bridge to Twelfth street, and from the business part of town to the end of the line. Much difficulty has been experienced from residents along the hillsides allowing their hydrants and spigots to partially remain open, and in some places the water has run down onto the track and frozen to a depth of two or three feet, causing much trouble and delay.

The company had a sweeper running all last night as well as another car with men to keep the ice cut from the rails in order to be in condition to operate this morning in getting workmen to work at the mills and take the night men home, but even at that, the two cars were unable to keep the tracks entirely clear, hence the delay in getting rightly started on time this morning. This is said to be the hardest winter to manage rail traffic and keep fair working conditions that has been experienced in many years.

DEMAND RADICAL CHANGE IN FUEL ADMINISTRATION

Business of this nation is protesting long and loud and earnest at the sweeping decree issued today by the National Fuel Administration in its attempt to close industry claiming a fuel shortage. A movement to oust the whole fuel administration—from National Fuel Administrator Garfield down to the administrators and assistant administrators of New York—has been started by a powerful group of New York manufacturers, coal men and business interests. The matter has been taken direct to President Wilson. This will likely be the general reception of the sweeping decree.

The growing unrest of local business interests under the idiosyncracies and conservation hobbies of the local fuel administration, it is learned today on highest authornty, has now engaged the atention of the President and his Cabinet, and that already the names of two candidates to succeed Dr. Garfield have been advanced by Secretary of the Interior Lane.

Secretary Lane, who leads the opposition to Garfield and is opposed to Secretary Daniels and Baker, Garfield's chief supporters, wishes President Wilson to reorganize the fuel administration from top to bottom.

It is said to be the demand of the New York men that the fuel administration should be turned over to practical coal men trained in the business of mining and distributing coal.

It was said today that Secretary Lane has made a tentative selection of his candidate to succeed Dr. Garfield in F. R. Peabody at present chairman of coal production in the Council of National Defense, and himself a coal operator of prominence. The name of T. H. Watkins, president of the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke company, is being held in reserve as an alternative candidate.

One argument advanced by New York's protestants against the personnel and policies of the fuel administration is the growing and apparent lack of agreement between the local administration and that at Washington and among the members of the local administration itself. That there is a split between State Administrator Albert H. Wiggin and some of his associates in the regulation of the conservation problem has been apparent for some time.

A HOUSE WARMING PARTY

The employes of the Pittsburgh Steel Products company gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Carlsson on McMahan avenue for an old fashioned house warming. Mrs. Carlsson and family have recently arrived here from Sweeden after an absence of eight years.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlsson were presented with a nice chair, the presentation being made by Mr. R. B. Reeves, assistant general superintendent, to which Mr. Carlsson ably responded, after which Al Romer's orchestra gave a few selections. Mr. Otto Weiburg then sang a Swedish solo. Mr. B. A. Perkins was then called on for a few remarks in which he related an instance that occurred some few nights previous at a skating party in Belle Vernon, which Mr. Carlsson had invited all his friends to attend in order that he might demonstrate his ability as a fancy skater. Mr. Perkins said that it might be fancy in Sweden but the good old fashioned kind is good enough for him. Mr. Romer's orchestra then played another selection.

Mr. Arthur Winstone sang "Keep the Home Fires Burning." Mr. J. McGeary gave an exhibition of Irish dancing which was the feature of the evening, being only surpassed by the lunch that Mrs. Carlson prepared, which was enjoyed by all present. After another selection by the orchestra, the crowd thanked Mr. and Mrs. Carlsson for their hospitality and returned home.

Those present were: R. B. Reeves, R. W. Ruth, B. A. Perkins, Al. Romer, E. Dick, Wm. Kissler, S. Blythes, A. Warrensford, Wm. Hoon, A. Culler, C. Hostnick, R. Price, T. Costello, T. Dobson, D. O. Rourk, G. Lessman, H. Lenhart, R. McKelvey, G. Feldhake, J. Huston, J. Sturtz, W. Allison, J. McGeary, M. Stein, O. Weiburg, J. Stroburg, W. Potts, J. Patton, V. Feucroft.

THIRD VICTIM OF THE AWFUL GAS EXPLOSION DEAD

Died Last Evening at Monongahela Hospital After Terrible Suffering From Burns.

Mike Bazilla, aged 23, of 1228 Morgan avenue, died last night in the Memorial hospital at Monongahela, as a result of injuries sustained in the explosion of a gasoline tank at the open hearth department of the Pittsburgh Steel Co. on Saturday, Jan. 5.

Bazilla is the third victim of this explosion, and his condition had been considered grave ever since he was sent to the hospital, his burns being such that his friends were not permitted to see him.

The body was this morning brought to the undertaking rooms of John Check, where they were prepared for burial. The funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m., from the home of his brother, Andy Bazilla, 1228 Morgan avenue, interment in Grandview cemetery.

When this explosion occurred, the men were employed in the rigging gang and were making repairs to the open hearth furnace. A gasoline tank that furnished fuel for the operation of a cutting torch was leaking and in some manner the flame ignited with the tank, causing the explosion.

Frank Roman's head was blown off and Mike Bennett was badly burned and died in the hospital the same evening. Eight men were also badly burned.

FOR RENT.

Flat 6 rooms and bath. Donner avenue between 5th and 6th street. See

SHUSTER & REED.

STAR THEATRE

TODAY—Dainty Ruth Clifford in "The Mysterious Mr. Tiller," a Blue Bird picture. Also "Is Marriage Sacred."

Vaudeville today and tomorrow

Prof. Corry, the "Jazz Magician."

Edward Loeffler & Co., in their comedy sketch.

Myers & Labwers, Songs and Stories.

Bargain matinee at 2:30; admission 5c and 10c. Evening, 10c and 20c. Performances at 7:45 and 9:45.

Teams Will Meet Tonight

At the Olympic billiard parlor tonight the Sheetz Annex bowling team will meet the Olympic organization and a stiff game is anticipated, as both teams are known to be exceptionally strong and both are expected to put up good games. This is a city league game and everyone interested in bowling at all knows what to look for when these two strong teams face each other. It will be a fight for supremacy. Both teams will put forward their best men and the most interesting game of the entire season is being looked for.

Summoned To Meeting

The Merchants committee of the Board of Trade has summoned all merchants and clerks to the board of trade meeting in the council chamber tomorrow night at which time action will be taken on the six o'clock closing. This is a movement of interest to employers and employes, and it is expected that there will be a good turnout and that the question will be definitely settled.

—OLYMPIC Saturday—a thriller—"Draft 258," a Metro wonderplay in seven parts featuring charming Mabel Taliaferro. 1t

FINED FOR EXCEEDING SPEED LIMIT

Archie MacDonald, a typical Scotchman was before Burgess Stewart this morning. It did not appear that Archie was so very drunk, but he was wandering about aimlessly and was picked up as more of a precautionary measure than anything else. The Burgess assessed him $1.00 and costs which he paid and started on his way rejoicing, with many thanks to the Burgess and the officers. He was not a resident of Monessen.

The case of George Hassan, a jitney driver charged with exceeding the speed limit within the borough, was heard at 5 o'clock last night before Burgess Stewart. Being found guilty, the fine was placed at $10.00 and costs.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

The Rank of Knight will be exemplified by the degree team Friday night, Jan. 18, on a number of candidates from Monessen and Monongahela. All Pythians are requested to attend.

Wm. H. Moore,
K. or R. & S.

92-2t fp

—Boys' Shoes, lace, leather soles, sizes 8½ to 5½. Clearance sale price $1.75.—A. Nayhouse, 521-525 Schoonmaker Ave. 92-2t

—Friday at OLYMPIC—The most famous patriotic play of the day, "The Man Without a Country." 1t

Great Revival In Progress

A great revival meeting is in progress at the M. E. church. The congregation had been well prepared for it. Evangelist Ackley has taken the church by storm. New song books are being used and under the leadership of Jake Kooser, the music is a feature of the meetings. Last evening large delegations were present from the Weston class and Men's Bible class. A feature of the music was the singing of "At the End of the Road" by a ladies quartette. Tonight the Ladies' Adult class will attend in a body. This evening Rev. Ackley will preach on "Belshazzar's Feast," or the Ten Commandments. Friday evening he will preach on "The Home" and the children's booster choir will sing. Following are a few excerpts from last night's sermon:

"If the church members in Monessen average up with the rest of the crowd where I've worked, and you look like you do, some of you would make a mighty good bargain, if you'd swap some of your brains for a little moral muscle and spiritual backbone.

"A coward is to be pitied, but a man who knows what he ought to do and won't do it, is despised as a traitor.

"A bad man and a bad woman is bad, but he is a thousand times worse when he professes to be a saint.

"A man who uses the hypocrite as an excuse for not being a Christian is a dyed-in-the-wool, senseless idiotic fool, and it's good evidence he's a big fraud himself. And the same thing is true of a woman.

"We often hear it said that 'hell is

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Will Present Popular Song

—Billie McManus, singer at the Star will offer for the approval of the patrons of that theatre "They Go Wild Over Me," which he will sing this evening and Friday evening. This song is one of the latest and has proved very popular throughout the country. Mr. McManus is rapidly gaining numerous admirers through his pleasing singing and personality and those who intend to hear him tonight are promised a rare treat.

Former Local Residents Visiting Here

—Mrs. F. D. Byerly and daughter, Miss Gladys of Rockwood, are visiting friends in Monessen and Belle Vernon. They arrived last evening and Mrs. Byerly is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Reppert, 252 Sixth street, Monessen, while Gladys went on to Belle Vernon. The family formerly resided in Monessen.

OLYMPIC THEATRE

TODAY—"Ignorance," a big feature starring Earle Metcalfe. Ever since the days of Adam, the trials and troubles of men, women and children have been blamed on ignorance, and rightly so, for there is nothing in this world more productive of evil than ignorance.

FRIDAY—"The Man Without a Country," featuring Florence LaBadie, who died several weeks ago. This picture, a Jewel production, was her last one.

SATURDAY—"Draft 258," with Mabel Taliaferro, a Metro wonderplay.

TUESDAY—"A Modern Lorelei," starring Mabel Jones, California's perfect Venus, and Tyrone Power. There are scenes in this picture if transferred to canvass would be worthy of lining the walls of a king's palace.

Information Withdrawn

Before Justice White yesterday, Adolph Widzmids made an information against Joe Angelas for raising a disturbance at the former' home, 425 Motheral avenue. The specific charge was assault and battery and the case was to have been heard this evening. This morning the prosecutor appeared and withdrew the case, paying the costs. The defendant had put up a forfeit of $25.00 which was returned.

—THE BEST—GLENDORA coffee, 3 lbs. $1.00. Your Grocer. Jan. 1-1m

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—:oo:—

Men's $1.00 Value Shirts

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Fancy Hose, value 25c

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MONESSEN, PA.

New Victor Records For January Are Here

70118—12 in. $1.25

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Drop in soon that we may play you these selections while they are new.

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Notice Consumers

Owing to the fact that a great many consumers have left the water run continuously during this extremely cold weather instead of shutting it off and draining pipes to prevent freezing, we will be compelled to shut off the supply to all industrial consumers so we will be able to supply our domestic consumers.

We also experience serious trouble at our plant and were unable to operate to fullest capacity. In order to meet the emergencies we ask that all consumers conserve the use of water for at least a week to enable us to replenish our supply to meet emergencies.

90-6t fp Tri Cities Water Co.

Our Stationery Special

FOR THIS WEEK

New Lever Self Filling Fountain Pen and Box Community Lawn Note Paper—

BOTH FOR $1.19

The pen is the best dollar value on the market and the not paper is our newest 35c number.

Pinochle, Euchre, Flinch and "500" Playing cards 25c to 65c.

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Checking accounts, large or small are invited.

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There's Money for You in this Idea

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Buy Clothes Now At Our Clearance Sale

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Here's the point; clothes are costing more and more each week. These fall and winter goods we're offering at reduced prices would cost us more to duplicate now—next year they'll be worth still more.

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YOU MAKE BIG DIVIDENDS BY INVESTING IN CLOTHES NOW

*****

Men's $15 Suits & Overcoats, now..$11
Men's $18 Suits & Overcoats, now..$14
Men's $20 Suits & Overcoats, now..$14
Men's $22 Suits & Overcoats, now..$18
Men's $25 Suits & Overcoats, now..$20
Men's $28 Suits & Overcoats, now..$22
Men's $30 Suits & Overcoats, now..$25

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CONSERVATION OF FOOD

The American people at best are extravagant. Among certain classes there is very little knowledge of thrift. A whole swarm of young men and young women live off of what dad drags into the place. In some families there is but one producer out of all who hover under the roof.

Now the cry comes for conservation. Our very government that heretofore has never taught thrift is sending literature broadcast over the land appealing to the American people to save so that all may have a morsel to keep away starvation during the period of war.

"Save the food" is the cry. The railroads have been put under government operation so that they can better be managed to man the necessaries of life and carry war materials. Now how about keeping the freight stations open and managed so that people can get their freight. A transfer man tells the startling story that on Saturday at the noon hour the local station was locked up, freight cars closed that contained much perishable food and the force all went home and took a half holiday. It is stated that the weather was at the zero point and the dealers were not given the privilege of unloading their produce that should have been received on Friday. How much truth is in this, we don't know, but it was told for the truth and the author would have nothing to gain in making the statement if there was no foundation for it.

Merchants he said were clamoring for their stuff, people were standing in the stores with baskets ready to carry home what the dealers told them would be in stock by Saturday, but according to this evidence, it was locked in the cars or the station until Monday. If the appeals for conservation are to become effective such conditions must be corrected. All of the leaks must be taken care of, the government must see to it that no person is permitted to stand in the way of the distribution of food stuffs even though it be necessary to sacrifice holidays or half holidays.

Our boys in the trenches are sacrificing their holidays and their days that before this war were hallowed, and the food conservation campaign must be so effective as to reach all classes or it might better not have been started. We appreciate what the government is doing, but there are so many things yet to be done that every force possible must be at command ready to do service in order to get the best results. Station houses and freight yards ought to be run night and day, Sundays, holidays and all other days until this war is over and then some of the perishable stuff that "food savers" want cared for, may perish.

WAR PHOTOGRAPHY

Science brings forth onewonder after another from its arsenal of warfare. Who would have thought five years ago that harmless and diverting sport like photography would become one of the greatest accessories to deadly combat? Yet so it is, in this war.

The accuracy of the camera in reporting enemy movements is something marvelous. The sensitive plate opens up concealments that would deceive the eye. Attached to the airplane, the camera gives a complete survey and exact diagram of enemy territory. Photographs from 5,000 feet high show minute features of the landscape.

When the Boches rush a force of men into the front line trenches, the camera man detects them crowded into the ditch, ready for assault. Within fifteen or twenty minutes after the film is snapped, the aviator has landed, his plate has been developed and prints given to the intelligence officer. Before the preparations can be completed for an assault, the warning has been telephoned and defence preparations beun.

The big lesson for our war preparations is the overpowering necessity of speed in airplane work, also the need for the very best photogrraphic experts. The Germans, realizing the threat of our aviation program, have stronger air forces now than ever before. Our allies are still stronger, but they cannot completely control the air.

We must get a large force of airmen and planes actually at work next summer. With expert war photography, we will have a complete information of everything doing by daylight in their lines. And with a sufficient force of battle planes to drive off their camera fliers, they will lack this information. Their artillery and infantry will fight blindfolded.

THE WATER LEAKS

Some people who have flat rate contracts allow their water spigots to run whether the weather is cold or not. A leak will occur through a worn washer and if there is no meter to constantly keep the mind conscious of a big bill, no attention will be paid to said leak. Little wonder is it then that the company urges meters installed everywhere possible. The responsibility will then be up to the consumer to safeguard against leaks.

Even in cold weather there is no great advantage in turning on the water and allowing it to run full force all night. There are other ways of preventing pipe troubles that should be put into practice. At this time when water companies all over the country are appealing to the public service commission for privileges to advance rates owing to the cost in operating water plants, it behooves the Monessen people to use the utmost precautions in guarding against leaks and waste to avoid an advance in rates which will certainly come if people are not very careful.

Just a little caution on the part of everybody may save future water bills that consumers may consider exhorbitant. And when a leak appears get busy and stop it whether there is a meter on the line or not.

SLIPPERY WALKS

Most of our sidewalks are most everywhere a mass of ice, dangerous to pedestrians. This condition is of course, caused by the extreme winter that is being experienced, but this is not sufficient excuse for the ice remaining. Accidents are happening each day, and someone might have to pay for the damages sustained.

We would suggest that our people be assed to rid their sidewalks of ice or sprinkle sawdust, or even ashes over the ice in front of their houses and by doing this they will eliminate more than half the danger. Parking salt sprinkled upon the ice will remove it, and while removing it will serve to prevent falling.

ROTTEN DOPE BILL

The Kaiser has made numerous speeches since the war broke out, but they have all been a rehash merely of his proclamation to his troops in August, 1914, when he declared:

"Remember that you are the chosen people! The spirit of the Lord has descended upon me because I am the Emperor of the Germans. I am the instrument of the Almighty. I am His sword, His agent. Let them perish, all the enemies of the German people. God demands their destruction; God who by my mouth, bids you to do His will."

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Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Relieves Head-Colds at Once.

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed and you can't breathe freely because of a cold or catarrh, just get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream into your nostrils and let it penetrate through every air passage of your head, soothing and healing the inflamed, swollen mucous membrane and you get instant relief.

Ah! how good it feels. Your nostrils are open, your head is clear, no more hawking, snuffling, blowing; no more headache, dryness or struggling for breath. Ely's Cream Balm is just what sufferers from head colds and catarrh need. It's a delight.

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Revenue Lost to the State

The loss of revenue to the state if the government takes over the nation's railroads has been brought to the attention of United States Senator P. C. Knox, and Pennsylvania, members of the House in Washington by Gov. M. G. Brumbaugh, according to an announcement made at the executive department today. The announcement says:

"The Governor has written to United States Senator Knox and members of the House calling their attention to a very critical situation that may arise in the taking over of the railroads by the Federal government. Such a commanding part of the revenues of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania comes from taxes on these railroads that any change in management which would impair that revenue would compel a prompt revision of the whole taxing system of this commonwealth."

The Governor has urged upon the officials at Washington the importance of conserving Pennsylvania's taxing right over these corporations during the period of government control.

WHEN THE WAR WILL END

Absolute knowledge, I have none,
But my aunt's washerwoman's sister's son
Heard a policman on his beat
Say to a laborer on the street
That he had a letter just last week
That was written in the finest Greek
From a Chinese coolie in Timbuctoo,
Who said the negroes in Cuba knew
Of a colored man in Texas town
Who got it straight from a circus clown
That a man in Klondike heard the news
From a bunch of South American Jews
About sombody in Borneo
Who heard a man who claimed to know
Of a swell society female fake
Whose mother-in-law will undertake
To prove that her seventh husband's niece
Has stated in a printed piece
That she has a son who has a friend
Who certainly knows when the war will end. —Exchange.

PERFECT CONFIDENCE

Monessen People Have Good Reason For Complete Reliance.

Do you know how—
To find relief from backache;
To correct distressing urinary ills;
To assist weak kidneys?
Your neighbors know the way—
Have used Doan's Kidney Pills;
Have proved their worth in many tests.

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Mrs. C. L. Kehlenbeck, 31 First St., says: "I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, because others of th family as well as I have used them with good results. After a cold settled on my kidneys, my back started to give me trouble. A box of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Kirk's Drug Store, entirely cured the attack. Doan's have never so far failed to act as represented."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Kehlenbeck had Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Get the Habit of Drinking Hot Water Before Breakfast

Says we can't look or feel right with the system full of poisons.

Millions of folks bathe internally now instead of loading their system with drugs. "What's an inside bath?" you say. Well, it is guaranteed to perform miracles if you could believe these hot water enthusiasts.

There are vast numbers of men and women who, immediately upon arising in the morning, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This is a very excellent health measure. It is intended to flush the stomach, liver, kidneys and the thirty feet of intestines of the previous day's waste, sour bile and indigestible material left over in the body which if not eliminated every day, become food for the millions of bacteria which infest the bowels, the quick result is poisons and toxins which are then absorbed into the blood causing headache, bilious attacks, foul breath, bad taste, colds, stomach trouble, kidney misery, sleeplessness, impure blood and all sorts of ailments.

People who feel good one day and badly the next, but who simply can not get feeling right are urged to obtain a quarter pound of limestone phosphate at the drug store. This will cost very little but is sufficient to make anyone a real crank on the subject of internal sanitation.

Just as soap and hot water act on the skin, cleansing, sweetening and freshening, so limestone phosphate and hot water act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. It is vastly more important to bathe on the inside than on the outside, because the skin pores do not absorb poisonous matter into the blood, while the bowel pores do.

Business Promptly Attended to

Steamship Agency

Monessen Savings & Trust Co.

ALFRED TANZER, Manager.

Authorized Agents of the Steamship lines. Bell Phone

Important Notice

HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE?

There is posted at the office of the Local Board, in the window of the Foreign department of the Monessen Savings and Trust Co., and at the Post Office, complete lists of all registrants of Monessen whose questionnaires are unclaimed.

All registrants who have not received their questionnaires, should see this list at once.

Each list gives you all the references possible, Order No., Serial No., Name, Street Address and also the number on the registration certificate.

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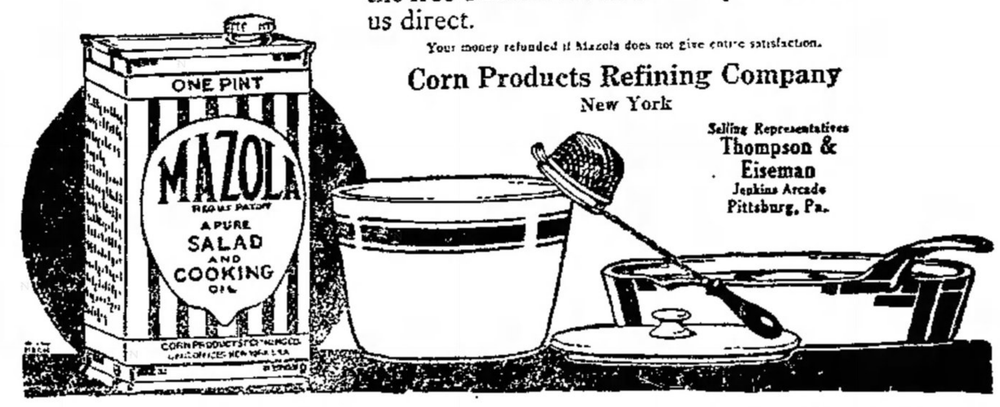

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Must Stand Trial for Treason

Louis Weiner, editor in chief of the Philadelphia Tageblatt, a German language newspaper, which was raided by government agents some time ago, and Dr. Martin Darkow, managing editor, must stand trial on a charge of treason as a result of a decision by Judge Dickinson in the Federal court at Philadelphia yesterday, overruling their demurrer to an indictment charging them with that offense.

Judge Dickinson is preparing another opinion on a demurrer to an indictment charging Weiner, Darkow and Peter Schaefer, president and Paul Vogel, treasurer, and Herman Lenke, business manager of the Tageblatt, with violating the espionage act in printing alleged distorted and false news in Germany's favor.

Officers Elected for Ensuing Year

At the annual meeting of the Westmoreland County Bar Association, held in Greensburg Monday afternoon the candidacy of Judge W. D. Porter of Pittsburgh for re-election to the Superior Court Bench was indorsed. Officers were elected for the ensuing year, as follows: President, Jeff W. Taylor; secretary, Ralph D. Hurst; treasurer, Albert H. Bell. A resolution was adopted to erect a bronze tablet in the Court House containing the names of all members of the bar who have entered war service.

Slackers Arrested by Police

Four more "slackers" have been arrested by the Donora police and placed in the lockup in that city. They will be taken to Camp Sherman this week by Officer Ready. The men arrested were all from Donora and the police had been shadowing the men for some time. They had been called for service with the last contingent but failed to answer.

Getting Pennies Ready

Patrons of the New Castle traction lines will pay 6-cent instead of 5-cent fares beginning today. Announcement that the new rate will be put into effect at once was made yesterday by the Mahoning and Shenango Railway and Light Company, which operates the lines. Conductors today got pennies to be used in making change.

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Board Will Meet Tomorrow

The first meeting of the Monessen board of trade for the year 1918 will be held on Friday evening, January 18, in the borough building at 8 o'clock. The newly elected officers will take their seats at this meeting. The president will announce his committees for the year, and some little time will be spent in outlining the work for the board for 1918. Brief reports will be made by committees. The secretary wil give a status of membership—a distribution of receipts and disbursements for the year and a brief summary of the board's activities for 1917. Monessen is going to need strongly organized leadership during 1918, as never before in its history. The board of trade is going to be called on repeatedly in many ways to play its part in the struggle for democracy and remember if you are not appointed on a committee, it does not mean you cannot help.

MAKING MEATLESS DAYS PERMANENT.

In the meatless menu there is a fertile field for developing new and nourishing dishes, according to E. H. Niles, writing in the Hotel Gazette, who believes that the present shortage of meat and fats will not end with the coming of peace, but may grow more acute and continue for five or six years, thus making it worth while to develop menus of grain, vegetables and fish on a more or less permanent basis. Meat can be replaced by cereals and other protein foods, or may be served in very small portions as a flavoring for other food. In making up meatless menus this author finds our American Creole and southern cuisine a broad field for investigation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of subscribers to petition to the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, to apply under said petition for a charter for a proposed corporation to be called "ST. MICHAEL SYRIAN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF MONESSEN, PENNSYLVANIA," on the 18th day of March, A. D. 1918; the character and object of the said proposed corporation are the worship of Almighty God according to the faith, customs, constitution and discipline of the Syrian Greek Orthodox church, and the application for the said charter is made pursuant to the provisions of Section 2 of the Act of 29th of April 1874 (P. L. 73) entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations."

Silas A. Kline,
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Attorneys for Petitioners.

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Abandoned Child is Arrested

George S. Catlin, colored, a barber of Monongahela, was directed to the court at Washington, Pa., to be turned over to J. B. McBride, representing the sheriff of Trumbull county, O., the defendant being wanted there on a charge of abandoning a legitimate child. Catlin, through his counsel, fought his return to Ohio, but the local court, after the hearing, held it did not have jurisdiction over the questions raised in the habeas corpus proceeding filed with this court. Extradition papers for Catlin's return to Ohio, had been issued by Gov. Cox, of Ohio, and honored by Governor Brumbaugh of this state. Catlin, who was in court, did not deny that he was the man wanted. One of the points raised in his fight against returning to Ohio was that the statute of limitation barred any action against him at this time. Catlin, about 14 years ago, was charged with a serious offense in Ohio. He was required to marry the young woman bringing the prosecution. They never lived together. In subsequent proceedings he was required to support the child, of which he was the father. This was done for five years and then Catlin left that state. The charge against him in Trumbull county, Ohio, is the abandoning of this child and not supporting it.

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Westmoreland County to the Front

Westmoreland county is second in the state in the percentage of physicians commissioned in the Medical Reserve corps, according to figures from every county in the state compiled by Richard J. Beamish, of the Philadelphia Press. The percentage is based on the number of physicians to the population of the county.

Westmoreland county's percentage is 31.10 per cent. According to Beamish's figures, Westmoreland county has 209 physicians with a population of 283,225, making the ratio one physician to each 1,355 of population. The number commissioned is 65, leaving one physician to take care of 1,838 persons.

Lawrene county leads all with 51.72 per cent. This county has 29 physicians with a population of 79,512, making the ratio one physician to each 2,742 of population. Fifteen physicians have been commissioned leaving one physician to look after 5,679 persons.

Adams county comes third with a per centage of 28.94 per cent.

Four counties in the state, Cameron, Forest, Mifflin and Pike, have up until this time failed to contribute a physician to the service. There are only six physicians in Cameron county, five in Forest and six in Pike. Each county has a population of approximately 8,000. Mifflin county has 40 physicians to a population of 31,160, making the ratio one physician to 779 persons.

Time Fixed for Registration

The Attorney General of the United States in compliance with rules and regulations for the registration of German and enemy aliens, fixed the time for registration as the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th inclusive of February from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. The president in his proclamation gives the attorney general power to utilize all department agents or officers he deems proper to carry out such registration.

Full co-operation and assistance of all postmasters and postal employes is requested in the execution of these instructions. The work thus devolving upon the Postal Service is a patriotic duty which every postal employe should perform cheerfully and thoroughly. It is a necessary service and a contributory feature for success in the present war, and postmasters and postal employes are confidently relied upon to do their full share in making the registration complete and effective.

Greensburg Man Died

Squire James G. Gay, a familiar figure of Greensburg, died Tuesday morning at his home, Otterman and Maple avenues. He was deputy sheriff, serving under Sheriff Kilgore at the time of his death.

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Medical Commissions Go Begging

The most surprising feature of our preparations for war is the apparent reluctance of young American physicians to volunteer for the medical officers' reserve corps, says Leslie's Weekly. The War Department estimates a need of 21,000 men for hospital service. Seventeen thousand five hundred physicians have been recommended for commissions, but up to October 12, 1917, about 1,200 of this number had declined to accept the commissions offered to them. Two hundred of those who were willing to go to the front had to be discharged because of physical disqualifications or for other reasons. Consequently there is a shortage of several thousand men in the medical reserve corps.

Here is a curious situation. The army offers physicians the right to wear the uniform of an officer, an opportunity to gain invaluable experience in the field hospitals and incomes larger than the average physicians' earnings. Fear of danger cannot enter into the problem. The total casualties among medical officers of the allied armies on the western front from the beginning of the war to June 25, 1917, were 195 killed, 707 wounded and 62 deaths from disease. These figures, compared with the number of physicians employed at the front, prove that the medical officers' work behind trenches is scarcely more hazardous than the ordinary risks of civil life. Quite aside from the question of patriotism it is impossible to understand why medical corps commissions are going begging.

Interesting Meetings Being Held

Last night Evangelist Wright delivered a messag on "The Baptism of the Holy Spirit and Fire." It was a masterpiece, a regular eye opener. The evangelist showed from the Scriptures that the baptism of the Spirit was for those who were obedient while the baptism of fire was for the wicked and disobedient.

In the course of his remarks he said the Baptism of the Holy Spirit was for the intellect and was always attended by miraculous demonstrations such as speaking in different languages, healing the sick and raising the dead etc. While the operation of the Holy Spirit in conversion was always upon the heart and began within the candidate a new or spiritual disposition and caused him to gladly comply with the terms of the gospel after which he received the witness of the Spirit, sealing the fact that he was a child of God.

The evangelist handled the subject in such a way as to appeal to the intelligence of his hearers and people went away feeling good they were present and having a desire to come again. His theme tonight will be "The Operation of the Holy Spirit in Conversion." Hear him tonight and you will want to hear him again.

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A very pleasant surprise party was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McLaughlin of Linden avenue. The time was spent in music and dancing, and a delightful lunch was served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John McLaughlin and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Neil Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hicks, Mrs. Hugh Neil, Miss Kinnie Neil, Mr. and Mrs Daniel Cox of Donora and Mr. and Mrs Charles Wainwright of Roscoe.

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In the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland Co., Pennsylvania

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the above court on the 25th day of March, 1918, at 9 o'clock a m., under the provisions of the Acts of Assembly of 29th April, 1874, of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the Italian Citizens Political association, the character and object of which is the instruction of Italian subjects in the laws of our country, the principles of good citizenship and the general advancement of our race; and for these purposes to have and possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements

92-3tw Daniel Reamer, Solicitor.

NOTICE MERCHANTS

All merchants and clerks are requested to meet in the council chamber Friday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of discussing the merits of early closing.

92-2t Merchants Committee.

Mid-Winter Sales

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$15.00	$18.00	$20.00
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Now	Now	Now	
.95	$1.25	$1.55	
$2.75		$4.00	
Now		Now	
$2.05		$3.05	
$5.00	$8.00	$9.00	$10.00
Now	Now	Now	Now
$4.05	$6.25	$6.75	$7.25

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LOCAL NOTES

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—A R Ney is confined to his home on McKee avenue on account of illness.

—Mrs. John Hellman of Sixth street, is suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

—Miss Delo Garlow has returned from Greensburg where she has been visiting friends.

—All shoes reduced during our clearance sale—A Nayhouse, 521-525 Schoonmaker Ave. 92-3t

—Miss Hazel Phillips is able to be out again after being confined to her home with lagrippe.

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—Mrs. James H. Gribben of 448 Reed avenue, is spending the day visiting a cousin, Mrs. W. B Hubbs at Brownsville, who is among the sick.

—Ladies' dark brown Louis heel shoes, $9 00 value, clearance sale price $6 50.—A. Nayhouse, 521-525 Schoonmaker Ave. 92-3t

—Henry Thomas has returned to Camp Lee after spending a few days furlough at the home of Mr. and Mrs Fred Braun of Fourth street

—If you buy your pants during our Clearance sale you can save from 50c to $1.00 and on some $1 50 —A Nayhouse, 521-525 Schoonmaker avenue. 92-3t

—The annual meeting of the Westmoreland county press association will be held in the court house, at Greensburg Friday afternoon, January 18.

—Big grown girls' dark tan English shoes, $7 00 and $6 50 value, clearance sale price $5 00 and $5.50 —A. Nayhouse, 521-525 Schoonmaker Ave. 92-3t

—The Qui Vie club of Donora has issued invitations for its second annual dance to be held Friday evening, January 18th. in the new hall on Meldon avenue near Tenth street Several couple from this city will attend

—Miss Marion Lewis very pleasantly entertained the Musical Auxiliary at her home on McKee avenue last evening. A musical program was carried out and a social hour spent At the close of the evening a dainty lunch was served.

—Miss Elizabeth McLaughlin, the 12-year-old-daughter of Mr. and Mrs John McLaughlin of Linden avenue, has returned from the Memorial hospital, Monongahela, where she underwent an operation. She is getting along nicely.

—Louis Stephens reports very pleasant weather conditions at St. Petersburg, Florida, where he is accustomed to spend his winters. He just made his get-a-way in time, having started a few days before the real blizzards began to strike Monessen.

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(Continued from first page.)

paved with good intentions,' and there is many a woman in Monessen deliberately putting off salvation in the face of the acknowledgement 'I know I ought to do it'

"Some of the members of the churches of Monessen don't make any more impression on this community for righteousness, than a Webster mosquito makes on the back of a thick hided rhinocerous.

"Some of you women will work and sweat and stew over a cake or pan of beans or a few sandwiches to make a social affair a success in the church; but if you'd spend one tenth as much energy in getting sinners to Christ, Monessen would be saved inside of three weeks

"Jesus said 'Ye are the salt of the earth. A whole lot of the spritual salt is all barrelled up in the churches; come on folks, let's break open the head of the barrell and mix up a little of it to make Monessen a better place to live in

"Some Christians think all of being a Christian is to sit with folded arms in a boat and wait to be rowed away to the shores of eternal bliss, but you watch out, your old boat will spring a leak and you'll go to hell sure.

"I believe in a red blood gospel that takes a red blooded man who has gone the limit in sin, and makes him a red blooded, full fired, red hot man. If the gospel of Christ can't make and keep you right before God and the world, throw away your Bible and go the limit—get all you can and keep it good, for the Bible is all a lie if it can't save you from sin and keep you straight before the world. The gospel is for real men and real women, and it takes a real man and a real woman to be a Christian

"You say there's no devil! No! Then you get out of your seat and walk down this aisle for Christ and go out to the shop tomorrow morning and tell the bunch you've come clean for what is right, and try to live like you ought to live, and if you aren't convinced there's a devil before night, I'll pack my grip and go home tomorrow and quit preaching.

"With a bunch of nickels you can lead some men and women mighty close to the mouth of hell

"If you're going to belong to the church, hang out your sign on the door of your life and open up your office every day of the year, and when you backslide and quit doing business for God, haul down your sign.

"A man who enlists in the army and deserts is a traitor. A man who refuses to go when he is called is known as a slacker. Some of the church members of Monessen have deserted the cause of Christ after they enlisted and some of you have been called by the Spirit of God and you refused to go. Don't be a traitor or slacker. Come clean; stand out for what you believe to be right; 'to him that knoweth to do right and doeth it not, to him it is sin.'"

Sewing Machines in Arabia.

The sale of sewing machines in Arabia has increased since the war began, owing in part to the demand of Red Cross organizations. A recent shipment of 600 American machines, according to a correspondent, will be disposed of as follows: One hundred in Aden, 200 in Abyssinia, 100 in Red Sea ports and 200 in the Persian Gulf district. There is also an increased demand on the part of the natives. Germany formerly supplied the territory with cheap machines, but the stocks of these are low, and American products now lead. Foot-power sewing machines are in growing preference over the hand-operated type, but electrically-driven machines cannot be sold, as there is no general electric service plant in Aden. Dust and rust are difficulties experienced in the use of the machines in the Arabian climate.

Alcohol for Fuel.

A committee of Arctic Inn scientists is investigating the possibilities of commercial alcohol in place of gasoline as a fuel for internal combustion engines, notes a correspondent. They find that an engine can easily be run on alcohol and that its thermal efficiency, when so run is somewhat higher than with gasoline fuel. However, they also find that alcohol must be far cheaper by the pound than gasoline, and somewhat cheaper by the quart, if it is to be as economical a fuel in terms of dollars and cents. Moreover, an engine will not start from a cold condition on alcohol.

Positive Protection For Liberty Bonds

A SERVICE FOR WHICH THERE IS NO CHARGE

For your Liberty Bond this Bank will gladly issue a signed receipt. Your bond will then be carefully filed in our vault, positively protected against loss or destruction.

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Monessen Savings & Trust Company

Charter No 6937 Reserve District No 4

Report of the Condition of

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

AT WEBSTER in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business on December 31st, 1917.

RESOURCES

Loans & discounts (except those shown on b & c)....	$198,285.13	
Total Loans	198,282.13	$198,285 13
Overdrafts, unsecured, $28 97.....		28 97
U. S. bonds (other than Liberty Bonds of 1917):		
U S bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)..	25,000.00	
Total U. S. bonds (other than Liberty Bonds) and certificates of indebtedness		25,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, unpledged, 3½ per cent and 4 per cent.....	33,400.00	33,400.00
Bonds, securities, etc. (other than U. S.):		
Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits.....	5,000.00	
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged.....	25,200.00	
Total bonds, securities, etc.....		30,200 00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)		1,200.00
Furniture and fixtures.....		2,200.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....		12,075.26
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks		56,382 27
Total of Items 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18.....	56,282.27	
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items.....		5,572.31
Redemption fund with U.S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer.....		1,250 00
Other assets, if any, Thrift Stamps.		899.00
TOTAL		$367,493.48

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....		$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund		15,000.00
Undivided Profits	9,819 35	
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid.....		9,819.35
Circulating notes, outstanding.....		24,500 00
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days:		
Individual deposits subject to check.....		107,528.13
Certified checks		325.00
Cashier's checks outstanding.....		258.29
Total demand deposits (other than bank) subject to Reserve, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40.....	108,111.42	
Time deposits subject to Reserve (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings):		
Postal savings deposits.....		1,328 66
Other time deposits.....		183,734 06
Total of time deposits subject to reserve, Items 41, 42, 43 and 44.....	185,062.71	
TOTAL		$367,493 48

STATE OF Pennsylvania, COUNTY OF Westmoreland, ss:

I, B. B. Hunter, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

B. B. HUNTER, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn before me this 12th day of January, 1918.

JOHN C. RANKIN, J P

My commission expires first Monday of January, 1922.

Correct—Attest:

Geo. F. Thompson,
Isaac McGogney,
William J. Rankin,
Directors.

Poetic Nocture dance of the sea Nymphs in "The Modern Loreli." At the Olympic Theatre next Tuesday

Classified Column

Advertisements under this heading will cost 1 cent a word. Cash must accompany the copy. No ad taken for less than 15 cents. No book accounts will be kept for these columns. Don't ask for credit for these small ads.

FOR SALE—Shelving and counters, cheap to quick buyers—Racy's store 92-2t

WANTED—Flat top office desk, size approximately 5x4½ with drawers Comunicate with Red Cross headquarters. 89-4tp

LOST—Gold watch and pin; finder rewarded if left at 139 Oneida street or phone 113-R 90-2tp

FOR SALE—All or one half interest in grocery store. Doing business for 10 years Good stand. Sacrifice to quick buyer For particulars call phone 279-J. 90-5t

LOST—Thursday evening, silver dorin with initial "W" engraved on face Reward if returned to Miss A Wikstrom, Lock No 4, phone 220 Charleroi. 91-3tp

WANTED—Men between 21 and 40 year of age, for conductors and motormen. Apply 9 a. m. to 12 m. Room No 8, Bank of Charleroi building, Charleroi, Pa. 81-12

WANTED—At once, dishwasher at Johnson's Cafe. 87-3t

WANTED—Woman to do housework; apply 381 Schoonmaker avenue. 87-6tp

WANTED—One or two well furnished rooms in Monessen for gentleman (single) private family only Address M. O. Ormston, Belle Vernon, Pa. 89-4tp

FOR RENT—A 6 room house with bath, four lots included, $25.00 per month. Hibbs & Woodward. 47 Sixth street 92-3t

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